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DIVISION OF OIL, GAS
AND MINING,
DEPARTMENT OF
NATURAL
RESOURCES, IN AND
FOR THE STATE OF
UTAH

IN THE MATTER OF
TENTATIVE AP-
PROVAL OF THE MIN-
ING AND RECLAMA-
TION PLAN SUBMIT-
TED BY AMERICAN
GILSONITE COM-
PANY, UINTAH COUN-
TY, UTAH

THE STATE OF
UTAH TO ALL
OPERATORS, TAKERS
OF PRODUCTION,
MINERAL AND
ROYALTY OWNERS,
AND PARTICULARLY
ALL PERSONS IN-
TERESTED IN:

T8S, R17E, Section 32
T9S, R17E, Sections 5,4
T2S, R2E, Sections
18,19,20

T8S, R24E, Section 32
T9S, R23E, Sections 1,
10,12,15,25

T9S, R24E, Sections
1,2,3,7,12,15,16,17,22,23,
24,25,26,27,28,29,30,32,
33,34,35,36

T9S, R25E, Sections 7,
8,15,16,17,21,22,23,29,
30,31,32,33

T10S, R22E, Section 24
T10S, R23E, Sections
28,30,32,34

T10S, R24E, Sections
1,2,3

T10S, R25E, Section 6
T11S, R23E, Sections
1,2,12

T11S, R24E, Sections
4,5,6,7,8,9,14,15,16,17,20,
22,23,24,25,26,30,32

T11S, R25E, Sections
20,21,30,32

T12S, R24E, Section 4
T12S, R25E, Sections
4,5,9,10,11,12,13,14,15,24

UINTAH AND
DUCHESNE COUNTY,
UTAH

Notice is hereby given
that tentative approval
was given by the Divi-
sion of Oil, Gas and Min-
ing, on January 18, 1985
to American Gilsonite
Company to commence
underground mining and
milling operations in the
above described sec-
tions, Uintah and
Duchesne County, Utah.

The names of the min-
ing operation is the
Bonanza Mining Opera-
tions and the person
representing the com-
pany is Mr. Leroy Fyock,
Bonanza, Utah 84008.

American Gilsonite
Company has fulfilled
obligations under the
Utah Mined Land
Reclamation Act of 1975
(Section 40-8, UCA 1953
as amended) with
specific reference to Sec-
tion 40-8-18 and will
employ the following
mining and reclamation
techniques on approx-
imately 102 acres of
federal leases and fee-
owned land.

During Operations:

1. American Gilsonite
operates approximately
30 one-acre mine sites on
their properties. Facili-
ties at each mine
site include a headframe,
hoist house, compressor,
and storage areas. Mine
sites are fenced. The life
of each individual mine

and recontoured. Slopes
will not exceed 2H:1V.

3. Soils will be analyz-
ed at the time of
reclamation to deter-
mine their suitability for
supporting vegetation.
Soil amendments will be
made based on results of
this analysis.

4. Mulch may be used,
depending on the results
of the test plots. Seeding
may be done by broad-
cast or drilling methods.

5. All ponds will be
reclaimed as above and
left non-impounding.

The Division of Oil,
Gas and Mining plans to
approve the permit with
the following
stipulations:

Stipulation
M-10(14)-1-TLP

Neither topsoil
redistribution nor
preparation of insitu
substitute materials
shall be done prior to one
month before actual
seeding. The operator
shall refrain from any
manipulation of the
above materials when
said materials are at
moisture levels which in-
crease the likelihood of
damage due to
compaction.

Stipulation
M-10(14)-2-TLP

A survey shall be con-
ducted to determine the
average thickness and
volume of insitu
(substitute) material
available at each in-
dividual mine site.
Results shall be recorded
on the individual mine
site inventories in Appen-
dix 1. Results and up-
dated inventory sheets
shall be provided to the
Division by October 1,
1985.

Stipulation
M-10(14)-3-TLP

Should American
Gilsonite elect to exploit
a borrow area for the
purpose of obtaining
material for fire control
a complete soils and
vegetation plan shall be
provided for such a revi-
sion. This plan shall be
submitted for review at
least sixty (60) days
prior to intended use.

Any person or agency
aggrieved by this ten-
tative decision is hereby
requested to submit writ-
ten protest within thirty
(30) days of the date of
publication to the Divi-
sion of Oil, Gas and Min-
ing, 355 W. North Tem-
ple, 3 Triad Center, Suite
350, Salt Lake City, Utah
84180-1203, setting forth
factual reasons for his or
her complaint, and
thereafter, at a time and
place to be established,
appear before the Board
of Oil, Gas and Mining to
show cause, if any, why
this mine plan should not
be approved.

DATED this 21st day
of January, 1985.

STATE OF UTAH
DIVISION OF OIL, GAS
AND MINING

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Administrative Assistant

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PROOF OF PUBLICATION

STATE OF UTAH, }
County of Uintah } ss.

I, Nancy Colton,

being duly sworn, depose and say, that I
am the Business Manager of The Vernal
Express, a semi-weekly newspaper of
general circulation, published twice each
week at Vernal, Utah, that the notice at-
tached hereto was published in said
newspaper

for one publications,

the first publication having been made on
the 23rd day of January, 1985

and the last on the 23rd day of
January, 1985 that said notice

was published in the regular and entire
issue of every number of the paper during
the period and times of publication, and
the same was published in the newspaper
proper and not in a supplement.

By Nancy Colton
Manager

Subscribed and sworn to before me,

this 23rd day of January

A. D. 19 85

Jack R. Smith
Notary Public, Residence, Vernal, Utah

My Commission expires June 16, 1985

of each individual mine site varies between 5 and 10 years depending on the type of ore and market conditions.

2. Gilsonite ore is processed and blended in facilities at Bonanza. The ore is trucked to and from the processing plant.

3. Sediment ponds are constructed on sites where water is produced in the mine. American Gilsonite Company has an NPDES discharge permit to discharge this water into natural drainages after proper settling and gravel filtration occurs.

4. Topsoil has been salvaged on recently disturbed mine sites, and is protected. American Gilsonite Company has implemented a series of test plots to determine how best to reclaim areas of previous disturbance, some of which have gilsonite fines mixed into the soil.

Following operations:

1. Reclamation will begin within 6 months of abandonment of individual mine sites, during the fall of the year.

2. Sites will be ripped